

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment is being submitted in order to replace the Listing of Claims previously submitted in the Amendment filed on November 25, 2003. Claims 1-14 have been previously cancelled. Claims 15, 16, 20-24 and 28 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by Polikaitis; and claims 17-19 and 25-26 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Polikaitis in view of Wu. The rejections are respectfully traversed.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. **449122015600**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Dated: January 15, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

By 

Kevin R. Spivak

Registration No.: 43,148

MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP

1650 Tysons Blvd, Suite 300

McLean, Virginia 22102

(703) 760-7762 - Telephone

(703) 760-7777- Facsimile